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In re Application of:

Applicant: RAHIM  
 Serial No.: 09/314,637  
 Filed: May 19, 1999

Art Unit: 2654  
 Examiner: Dorvil

Dear Examiner Rahim:

We attach a draft Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 for your review and comments, for purposes of scheduling an interview, in regard to the above-identified matter.

I can be reached at (202) 857-8010 or email at [jredmond@morganfinnegan.com](mailto:jredmond@morganfinnegan.com). Thank you in advance for your consideration in regard to this application.

Very truly yours,  
 Morgan & Finnegan, LLP  
 Joseph C. Redmond, Jr.

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**DRAFT**PATENT  
Docket No. 2455-4602**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: M. RAHIM et al. :  
Serial No.: 09/314,637 : Art Unit: 2654  
Filed: May 19, 1999 : Examiner: Dorvil, R.  
For: RECOGNIZING THE NUMERIC LANGUAGE IN NATURAL SPOKEN  
DIALOGUE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of March 29, 2002 please amend the application as

follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please REPLACE the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A system, comprising:

a speech recognition processor that receives unconstrained input speech and  
outputs a string of words that can include a numeric language comprising a set of words or  
phrases relevant for interpreting and understanding a set of number strings; and  
a numeric understanding processor containing classes of rules for converting the  
string of words into a sequence of digits.